## The 3rd Episode of Innovation for Democracy Cafe:

## Unleash the Strength of Citizens' Collaboration by Technology:

## Stories of Hack Nackon and Disfactory

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In a democracy, people have the right to examine everything their government does, push it to do it better, and prevent it from infringing on people's rights. However, not every citizen finds it easy to exercise these rights in the real world.

For example, if a citizen reports illegal waste dumping to a government agency, they may not be taken seriously. This citizen may be required to provide more data that they are not able to acquire or to fill in complicated report forms. Moreover, this citizen may also worry about whether the government will protect them as a whistle blower. All of this might deter citizens to exercise their rights.

Luckily, NGOs, civic tech communities, and activists in Thailand and Taiwan have been using technology to tackle this problem. The tool they designed for that purpose aims to invite more citizens to collaborate in a way as easy that is as fun as playing games! Curious to learn more?

In the third episode of Innovation for Democracy Café, we invite Mr. Thitiphong Luangaroonlerd, the CEO of Boonmee Lab, and Ms. Paii Lai, Officer of Citizen of the Earth, Taiwan as our speakers, to share those encouraging and influential projects!

Mr. Thitiphong Luangaroonlerd, Boonmee Lab CEO, leads Hack Nackon project. It is an app on LINE helping citizens to report problems to their city government easily, such as flood, streetlight breakdowns, dysfunction of bus stops, etc.. By only taking photos and sending them to Hack Nackon via LINE, the reporting process is done. Moreover, this app incentivizes citizens by making the report process a game. This project is cocreated by FNF Thailand Office, King Prajachipok's Institute (KPI), Boonmee Lab, and Thai Health Foundation.

Ms. Peii Lai, Campaigner of Citizen of the Earth, Taiwan has been making great contribution to "Disfactory." a website project that invites every citizen to report illegal factories in agricultural land. Moreover, a "spot.disfactory" game is developed based on the website. By merely clicking, everyone can help improve the speed and accuracy of the project's program to identify illegal factories from thousands of aerial photographs. The Citizen of the Earth, Taiwan and g0v have cooperated together to give birth to this brilliant project.

By listening to their stories, we hope to learn how to use technology to lower the barrier for the citizens to actively exercise their rights to supervise governments. We also look forward to learning how civil society and civic tech communities can co-create a project that benefits every citizen.

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## **Tentative Agenda**

Time	Activity
16:00-16:10	Opening Introduction
	Ya-wei Chou, program manager of FNF Global Innovation Hub
16:10-16:25	The Story of Hack Nackon: Every Citizen Can Make the City Better
	Mr. Thitiphong Luangaroonlerd, Boonmee Lab CEO
16:25-16:40	Disfactory and Spot Disfactory: Citizens Can Co-create
	Technology for Democracy
	Ms. Peii Lai, Campaigner, Citizen of the Earth, Taiwan
16:40-17:10	Discussion Session
17:10-17:30	Q&A with the audience